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Crop Production

Iowa: Corn: The September 1 yield forecast of 179.0 bushels per acre is unchanged from the August 1 forecast. Production is forecast at 2.33 billion bushels for the state, down 5 percent from last year. Iowa's corn plant population per acre, at 30,050, and number of ears per acre, at 29,450, are at record high levels.

Soybean: The September 1 yield forecast of 52.0 bushels per acre is up 1 bushel from the August 1 forecast. If realized, soybean production would be 528 million bushels, up 9 percent from last year's 486 million bushels. Iowa's soybean pods with beans per 18 square feet, at 2,009, is also a record high.

United States: Corn production is forecast at a record 13.2 billion bushels, down 2 percent from the August forecast, but up from the previous record of 13.1 billion bushels set in 2009. Based on conditions as of September 1, yields are expected to average 162.5 bushels per acre, down 2.5 bushels from the previous month and 2.2 bushels below last year's record of 164.7 bushels. Forecasted yields decreased from last month throughout much of the Corn Belt, Tennessee Valley, and Delta. Yields were up from August in the lower portions of the Southeast.

Soybean production is forecast at a record high 3.48 billion bushels, up 1 percent from August and 4 percent above last year. Based on September 1 conditions, yields are expected to average a record high 44.7 bushels per acre, up 0.7 bushel from both last month and last year. Compared with last month, yields are forecast higher or unchanged across the central and northern Corn Belt, with the exception of Michigan. The largest increases in yield from last month are expected in Maryland and Virginia, both up 4 bushels. With the exceptions of Louisiana and the Carolinas, yields are forecast down across the Delta States, Southern Great Plains, and Southeast. The largest decline from the August 1 forecast is expected in Oklahoma, down 7 bushels as drought conditions across much of the State hampered yield expectations. If realized, the forecasted yield in Illinois, Minnesota, Nebraska, New York, and North Dakota will be a record high. Area for harvest in the United States is forecast at 78.0 million acres, unchanged from June but up 2 percent from 2009.

September 2010 Production Summary - Iowa and United States

Crop	For Harvest		Yield per acre		Production	
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
	<i>Thousand Acres</i>	<i>Thousand Acres</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Thousand Bushels</i>	<i>Thousand Bushels</i>
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Corn for Grain	13,400	13,000	182.0	179.0	2,438,800	2,327,000
Soybeans	9,530	10,150	51.0	52.0	486,030	527,800
UNITED STATES						
Corn for Grain	79,590	81,005	164.7	162.5	13,110,062	13,159,700
Soybeans	76,372	77,986	44.0	44.7	3,359,011	3,482,899

U.S. Corn Supply and Demand

CORN	2008-2009	2009-2010 (Est.)	2010-2011 ¹ Projections September
	<i>Million Bushels</i>	<i>Million Bushels</i>	<i>Million Bushels</i>
Beginning Stocks	1,624	1,673	1,386
Production	12,092	13,110	13,160
Imports	14	8	10
Supply, total	13,729	14,791	14,556
Feed & Residual	5,182	5,525	5,250
Food, Seed & Industrial	5,025	5,900	6,090
Domestic, total	10,207	11,425	11,340
Exports	1,849	1,980	2,100
Use, total	12,056	13,405	13,440
Ending Stocks, total	1,673	1,386	1,116
Avg. farm price (\$/bu)	4.06	3.55	4.00-4.80

¹ Preliminary

U.S. Soybean Supply and Demand

SOYBEANS	2008-2009	2009-2010 (Est.)	2010-2011 ¹ Projections September
	<i>Million Bushels</i>	<i>Million Bushels</i>	<i>Million Bushels</i>
Beginning Stocks	205	138	150
Production	2,967	3,359	3,483
Imports	13	15	10
Supply, total	3,185	3,512	3,643
Crushings	1,662	1,750	1,650
Exports	1,279	1,495	1,485
Seed	90	92	88
Residual	16	26	70
Use, total	3,047	3,363	3,293
Ending stocks	138	150	350
Avg. farm price (\$/bu)	9.97	9.60	9.15-10.65

¹ Preliminary